

## Claims

We claim:

1. A method of forming a hand tool comprising the steps of:  
providing a mold to produce said hand tool having at least two sections; and  
5        injecting a material for forming the hand tool into the mold, wherein a sharpened  
edge surface on the hand tool is defined by a surface formed by the parting line of the  
at least two sections of the mold.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the hand tool is a dental scraper.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the material is suitable for scraping titanium without  
10        damaging the surface.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the hand tool is a single use disposable dental tool.
5. The method of claim 4, wherein the dental tool further comprises channels formed in  
a handle portion thereof, whereby the channels dissipate fluids which come in contact  
with a gripping surface of the handle.
- 15       6. A dental tool comprising:  
a handle for grasping the tool; and  
a working surface for contacting a patient's teeth, wherein the working surface is  
formed of a substantially a flat curved section extending from a distal end of the  
dental tool, the distal end of the curved section having a facet and having a sharpened  
20       surface formed on a proximal edge surface of the facet, the facet having a length that  
is a greater on a first side of the facet and smaller on a second side of the facet.
7. The dental tool of claim 6, further comprising a second working surface for  
contacting a patient's teeth extending from a proximal end of said dental tool.

8. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the facet length extends substantially parallel to the longitudinal axis of the dental tool.
9. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the facet is angled away from the longitudinal axis of the dental tool.
- 5 10. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the sharpened surface is curved.
11. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the sharpened surface is straight.
12. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the dental tool is formed of a plastic.
13. The dental tool of claim 6, further comprising a sterilization indicator.
14. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the tool is disposable.
- 10 15. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein the handle is formed to have a diameter larger than the standard size.
16. The dental tool of claim 6, wherein said sharpened surface is defined by a surface formed by a parting line between two sections of a mold utilized to form said dental tool.
- 15 17. The dental tool of claim 6 further comprising channels formed in the handle, whereby the channels dissipate fluids from a gripping surface of the handle.
18. An apparatus for detecting the performance of a sterilization procedure comprising:
  - a tool having a location for application of a material; and
  - a material deposited on the location, said material changing its visual
  - 20 characteristics upon the performance of a sterilization procedure.
19. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the material changes color upon exposure to a sterilization procedure.

20. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein a figure is displayed in the material upon exposure to a sterilization procedure.
21. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein a word is displayed in the material upon exposure to a sterilization procedure.
22. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the location is a nameplate portion of the apparatus.
23. The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the tool is a dental tool.

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